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For:   METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A ) )  
     FILE FORMAT FOR STORING     )  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH  
EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the period for response to the Final Office Action dated August 30, 2004 for three months so that the period for response is extended to February 28, 2005.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Applicants' Attorneys' credit card in the amount of \$570 to cover the extension fee (extension fee for months one and two previously paid). Form 2038 is attached.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or to charge any deficiency in a required fee to Deposit Account No. 19-3140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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